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APPLICANT : KUMAR, Vijay
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Examiner : Kulkosky, P.
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box: AAF
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 8, 19, 23-25, 30, and 31-34 as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a))

I hereby certify that this document and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 26th day of September, 2001.

Wendy K. Marsh